## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Proposed Collections; Comment Requests

publication in the Federal Register] to be assured of consideration.

AGENCY: Departmental Offices; Department of the Treasury.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burdens, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on revisions of an information collection that are proposed for approval by the Office of Management and Budget. The Office of International Affairs within the Department of the Treasury is soliciting comments concerning Treasury International Capital Forms CQ-1 and CQ-2, "Financial and Commercial Liabilities to, and Claims on, Unaffiliated Foreign Residents." DATES: Written comments should be received on or before [insert 60 days after date of

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Dwight Wolkow, International Portfolio Investment Data Systems, Department of the Treasury, Room 5422, 1500 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington DC 20220. In view of possible delays in mail delivery, please also notify Mr. Wolkow by email (comments2TIC@treasury.gov), fax (202-622-2009) or telephone (202-622-1276).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Copies of the proposed forms and instructions are available on the Treasury's TIC webpage for forms, http://www.treasury.gov/resourcecenter/data-chart-center/tic/Pages/forms.aspx. Requests for additional information should be directed to Mr. Wolkow.

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Treasury International Capital Form CQ-1, "Financial Liabilities to, and Claims on, Unaffiliated Foreign Residents;" and Treasury International Capital Form CQ-2,

"Commercial Liabilities to, and Claims on, Unaffiliated Foreign Residents."

OMB Number: 1505-0024

Abstract: Forms CQ-1 and CQ-2 are part of the Treasury International Capital (TIC) reporting system, which is required by law (22 U.S.C. 286f; 22 U.S.C. 3103; E.O. 10033; 31 CFR part 128), and is designed to collect timely information on international portfolio capital movements. Forms CQ-1 and CQ-2 are quarterly reports filed by non-financial enterprises in the U.S. to report their international portfolio transactions with unaffiliated foreign residents. This information is necessary for compiling the U.S. balance of payments accounts and the U.S. international investment position, and for use in formulating U.S. international financial and monetary policies.

Current Actions: No changes are proposed at this time.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved data collection.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations.

Forms: CQ-1 and CQ-2 (1505-0024)

Estimated Number of Respondents: 148

Estimated Average Time per Respondent: Six and nine-tenths (6.9) hours per respondent per filing. This average time varies from 13 hours for the approximately 12 major data reporters to 6.5 hours for the other reporters.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 4,085 hours, based on 4 reporting periods per year.

REQUEST FOR COMMENTS: Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. The public is invited to submit written comments concerning: (a) whether Forms CQ-1 and CQ-2 are necessary for the proper

performance of the functions of the Office, including whether the information will have practical

uses; (b) the accuracy of the above estimate of the burdens; (c) ways to enhance the quality,

usefulness and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the reporting

and/or record keeping burdens on respondents, including the use of information technologies to

automate the collection of the data; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs of operation,

maintenance and purchase of services to provide information.

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